HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 113 By Davidson

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Colleen Marie Brick, an exemplary employee of the State Comptroller's Office.

WHEREAS, the members of the Tennessee General Assembly and her many friends were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Colleen Marie Brick, an outstanding employee of the State Comptroller's Offices of Research and Education Accountability; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Nancy B. Pallia and Michael Brick, Colleen was born on July, 23, 1973; she was a loving and kind older sister to David, Elisabeth, and Sarah; and is also survived by stepfather, Danny Pallia and stepmother, Pat Brick; and

WHEREAS, Colleen graduated from St. Mary's High School in May 1991; and
WHEREAS, she then graduated from Towson University with a Bachelor of Science
degree in May 1995 and, subsequently, received her Master of Science degree in Social Work

from the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, a former professor described her as "a strong student with a passion for social work policy and politics"; and

WHEREAS, Colleen was much loved and admired by her co-workers and friends for her independent thinking, her compassion and her love of life; and

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WHEREAS, she worked diligently to help the less fortunate, especially children, through her work on the important issues of day care, reading, and teaching quality; and

WHEREAS, Colleen was a devoted fan of one of Tennessee's favorite daughters, Dolly Parton, and strongly supported her efforts to promote pre-reading skills for young children; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to honor the memory of this distinguished public servant, reflecting on her life of bountiful purpose, deep commitment and numerous accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Colleen Marie Brick and extend our deepest condolences to her family and friends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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